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MP 237. 1 June 53 filed Johannes RICHTER/240

Concerns MOB comment concerning Felix KORDUBA, a person who was apparently active for OSI in Austria. CAPELIN reported that CANDIOT had learned from KORDUBA about his activities. MOB queried OSI, and OSI denied its sponsorship of KORDUBA. However, MOB acquired documentary proof (~~that~~) that KORDUBA actually was working for OSI. In the course of the investigation of KORDUBA, CAPELIN acquired some intercepted correspondence which KORDUBA had sent to Dr. Vl. BENKO and which (according to MOB) confirmed "THAT KORDUBA was engaged in some sort of clandestine operation in Austria."

"The intercepted correspondence which CAPELIN obtained was addressed to Herrn J. RICHTER, Munich, Dachauerstrasse 12, and was delivered by mistake to Dachauerstrasse 9, the headquarters of numerous ZOH/OUN cover organizations, who passed the correspondence to the SE/OUN whose leader showed it, on a confidential basis, to CAPELIN. The letters begin, "Dear Mr. R.," but it is clear from the contents that the actual addressee is Felix KORDUBA. RICHTER is also mentioned in CAPELIN's report of 2 December 1952 in which CAPELIN stated that CANDIOT had told him the OSI Office included a Capt. SLOBODIAN, a Maj. GOFPE, and two Germans who were formerly officers in the German intelligence, a Frau RICHTER and a Frau SCHMIDT (or SCHNEIDER) OSI confirmed that the first two were employed by OSI, but denied knowledge of the second two."

MOB then comments, "We would like to point out that the RICHTER with whom CAPELIN has been in contact in connection with WEEER, JUPP, and ZIENECKE (they mean ZINNECKER) is a Willie RICHTER."

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[] informs MOB that Johannes RICHTER (who worked for OSI in Austria) is definitely not identical with Dr. Willi RICHTER "currently a ZIPPER member supposedly in good standing." Requests CAPELIN's evaluation of Dr. Willi RICHTER.

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